(ख) इस योजना का विस्तृत ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) इस योजना के अंतर्गत कितने बच्चे लाभान्वित हो रहे हैं; और

(घ) क्या इस योजना का समय-समय पर मूल्यांकन किया जा रहा है और इस योजना के अंतर्गत और अधिक बच्चों को शामिल करने हेतु कौन-कौन से कदम उठाये जा रहे है?

सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय की राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती मेनका गांधी): (क) से (घ) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Allocation to Maulana Azad Educational Trust

2842. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is allocation to Maulana Azad Educational Trust for 1998-99;

(b) how many beneficiaries have been assisted so far; and

(c) whether Government have plans to expand its activities by providing further funds to the corpus?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) The proposed Budget allocation made in the Demands for Grants of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment for the Year 1998-99 for grant in aid to Maulana Azad Education Foundation (not Maulana Azad Educational Trust) is Rs. 30.00 Crores.

(b) Upto 31st March, 1998, the Foundation has assisted 124 NGOs located in various parts of the country.

(c) After the initial grant in aid of Rs. 5.00 Crores, released to the Foundation during the financial year 1992-93, subsequent two grants of Rs. 25.01 Crores and Rs. 40.00 Crores, released during the financial years 1994-95 and 1997-98 respectively, were meant to provide for the expanded activities of the Foundation. The amount of Rs. 30.00 Crores, budgetted for in the Demands for Grants of the Ministry for 1998-99, is also meant to provide for expanded activities of the Foundation. All these amounts form a Corpus Fund meaning thereby that while the principal amount shall remain intact, the income there-from is used by the Foundation to finance its activities.

Special Employment Exchange for Handicapped in Gujarat

2843. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up Special Employment Exchanges and Special Cells for handicapped persons in Gujarat exclusively to help them in getting gainful employment;

(b) if so, the details thereof; if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the remedial measures Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (c) As per information available in the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, five Special Employment Exchange for the handicapped persons at Ahmedabad, Baroda, Mehsana, Rajkot and Surat have been set up in Gujarat exclusively to help them in getting gainful employment.

National Employment Centre for Disabled

2844. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to establish the National Centre for Promotion of Employment for Disabled People preferably at Nagpur in Maharashtra to promote employment

opportunities for disabled people in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) to (c) Information has been called for from the Government of Maharashtra

Ambedkar Villages in the country

2845. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have selected villages in the country for declaring them as Ambedkar villages;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise;

(c) whether infrastructure facilities have been fully provided to these villages;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the funds provided for the development thereof during the current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (e) Does not arise.

Welfare Schemes for Orissa

2846. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the different Welfare Schemes implemented/being implemented in the State of Orissa by his Ministry; and

(b) the details of the funds allocated for the purpose during each of the last three years and till now, district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI MANEKA GANDHI): (a) and (b) A statement showing the schemes/programmes implemented by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment in the State of Orissa together with funds released for their implementation during the last three years is annexed (*See below*). Funds are not allocated district-wise by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment.

Statement

Schemes/programmes implemented in the State of Orissa together with details of funds released in the last 3 years

Sl. No.	Name of the Schemes	Amount released during the year		
		1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	Welfare of Scheduled Castes			
1.	Special Central Assistance to Special Component Plan to Scheduled Castes	1311.82	1265.07	1925.47
2.	Assistance to State Scheduled Castes Development Corporation	96.05	96.07	